ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES Office of Assured and Adequate Water Supply

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Mr. Roy Tanney Arizona Department of Real Estate 2910 N. 44th Street Phoenix, Arizona 85018

Water Adequacy Report #22-401469.0000

Subdivision Name: Villages Estates

Owner: Matt Cavanaugh Number of lots: 25

County: Yavapai

Township 16 N Range 05 E Sections 13, 14

Water provided by: Arizona Water Company

Water Type: Groundwater Current water depth: 339

Estimated 100-year depth: 339 - 443

Current decline rate: minimal

Basin: Verde Valley

Dear Mr. Tanney:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 45-108, the Department of Water Resources has reviewed the available information pertaining to the water supply for the above-referenced subdivision. This letter constitutes the Department's report on the subdivisions water supply as required by A.R.S. § 45-108(A).

Adequacy of the 100-year water supply was reviewed by the Department with regard to physical, legal and continuous availability, and to determine if the water supply is of adequate quality. Information available to the Department indicates that the applicant has satisfied the adequate water supply requirements as set forth in A.A.C. R12-15-715 et seq. Therefore, the Department of Water Resources finds the water supply to be adequate to meet the subdivision's projected needs. Any change to the subdivision or its water supply plans may invalidate this decision.

This letter is being forwarded to your office as required by A.R.S. § 45-108. This law requires the developer to hold the recordation of the subdivision's plat until receipt of the Department's report on the subdivision's water supply. By copy of this report, the Yavapai County Recorder is being officially notified of the developer's compliance with the law. Because of the possibility that a future court proceeding could result in a legal determination that water withdrawn from wells in this area is surface water, the Department recommends that your office include the following statement in all promotional material and contracts for sale of lots in the subdivision:

"Pursuant to A.R.S. § 45-108 and A.A.C. R12-15-715 et seq., the Department has determined that the water supply for the Villages Estates subdivision is <u>adequate</u>, i.e. that the water supply is physically, continuously and legally available to satisfy the applicant's 100-year projected water demand, and that the water supply is of suitable water quality. However, the legal availability of the water withdrawn from wells in this area may be the subject of court action in the future as part of a determination of surface water rights. Whether future court action will have an effect on the legal availability of the water supply for the proposed subdivision cannot be determined at this time."

If you have any questions, please contact D. Holden at (602) 417-2448.

Sincerely,

Frank Putman Assistant Director

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cc: Yavapai County Planning and Zoning

Yavapai County Recorder

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